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Conservative and discriminating customers who know what a vacuum cleaner ought to do choose the Clean-Elec.

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**B. W. Hooker & Company**  
 Vermont's Largest Housefurnishers
**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Special values in coats at Abbott's. Christmas sale of fancywork and aprons of all kinds at Presbyterian church Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 12 and 13.

The condition of L. R. Rickett of Tremont street, who has been quite seriously ill for the past two weeks, continues to show steady improvement.

Rafael Bertram, who has been employed as a stone cutter in the Barre granite belt during the past few years, left last night for New Haven, Conn., where he will visit relatives for a few days en route to New London, Conn., where he has secured employment in one of the machine shops.

**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Fancy colors, corduroy velvet. Little Dry Goods Store, Cottage street.

Miss Florence LePage returned to the city this morning, after a visit with relatives in Montreal, P. Q., and St. Albans.

Mrs. Edwin Keast of Prospect avenue left the city last night for Hartford, Conn., where she was called by the accidental death of her cousin, David Hunter.

News of Mr. Hunter's death reached Barre in a telegram received here Sunday morning, when Mrs. Keast learned that he was killed Saturday night by an automobile. Details of the accident were not described in the message. Mr. Hunter was the manager of a wholesale grocery concern in Hartford.

**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Flexible flyers at Abbott's.

Mrs. Myron B. Green left last night for Saratoga Springs, N. Y., where she is to reside.

George R. Beyerle, piano tuner, will be here after Wednesday. Leave orders at the office—adv.

Miss Edna Moruzzi left yesterday for Worcester, Mass., where she will visit friends for a few days.

Mrs. E. E. Green of Seminary street left yesterday for an extended visit with relatives in Hartford, Conn.

I have a limited supply of hand-picked winter apples. Price reasonable. Tel. 413-1. Carl D. Waterman.

W. H. Munsell has returned to Bellows Falls, after visiting R. H. Lynde of Jefferson street over the Thanksgiving recess.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Guthrie returned to their home on Cliff street yesterday after spending the Thanksgiving recess with Mr. Guthrie's parents in Boston.

J. H. Hill of Colchester, manager of the of the linekin owned by the Hill brothers, arrived in the city last evening and will spend several days in Barre and vicinity.

Dr. and Mrs. Leroy Darling have returned to Lowell, Mass., after passing a few days in the home of Mrs. Darling's mother, Mrs. John McDonald of Liberty street.

James Petrey, who has been employed as a barber by Napoleon Baker in Plainfield, arrived in the city last night and began work this morning at Ross' Depot square barber shop.

Mrs. William Warren and daughter, Leona, have returned to their home in Calais after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Maxson of East street extension during the past week.

Ivan Stanton, who has been passing several days in Barre and vicinity as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Marsh of the East Montpelier road, has returned to his home in West Enosburg.

J. Galli, Tony Luigi and J. Comolli, who have been employed in Barre and vicinity during the past three years, left last night for Mount Airy, S. C., and will secure employment there as stone cutters.

Miss Annie Messer returned to Johnson last night and will resume her school duties there to-day, after spending the Thanksgiving recess at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Messer, of Richardson street.

Perry Oliver returned to Claremont, N. H., yesterday after spending the Thanksgiving recess at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Oliver, of Elm street extension. William Brown of Claremont accompanied him on the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Simm and family of South Main street left yesterday for Hardwick, where Mr. Simm has secured work in one of the Hardwick stonehedges. Mr. Simm has been employed in Barre as a stone cutter for several years.

J. G. Addy is taking a vacation of two weeks from his duties as chief operator in the local office of the Western Union Telegraph Co., and with Mrs. Addy has gone to Randolph to visit relatives. During his absence the office is in charge of Edward Carey.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore L. Sweet arrived in the city last night and will spend several days visiting relatives, while en route from South Royalton to their home in Sherbrooke, P. Q. Mr. and Mrs. Sweet formerly lived for a short time in Barre and Montpelier.

In the absence of Conductor James J. Kanaly, who has been summoned to Brandon by the death of his sister, Conductor John Sullivan of St. Albans is in charge of day passenger trains over the Barre branch of the Central Vermont railroad. Conductor Sullivan arrived in Barre last night.

Friends of Harold Nute, formerly of this place, will be glad to learn of his continued success in the bowling alleys. Mr. Nute, who lives in Manchester, N. H., has challenged Poehler, the champion two corner bowler, to roll a match in Boston and one in Manchester for the title. This will be the first notable candle-pin match of the season, and will be pulled off on the Boston alley to-night, and the Manchester match will be rolled a week from to-night. Both matches will consist of ten strings. Poehler was anxious to sign the contract to roll with Nute, as there will be several matches in Maine this winter which Poehler will participate in and Nute seems to be the only logical man to roll with until that time.

Not from Winsted, Conn., the home of unnatural nature stories, but out of Duxbury comes one of the strangest tales of the hunting season, which closes at sundown this afternoon. The version here reproduced is furnished by Alderman C. H. Reynolds and finds sufficient corroboration in statements made by other Barre hunters who dropped anchor at the Snow camp in the shadow of Camel's Hump last week. That an animal of the fawn's native timidity should be the animal with temerity enough to get into print is the most absorbing feature of the story. According to the hunters, the presence of a plump little fawn in the dooryard of the camp greeted them, ocular equipment on the third morning of the hunt. Evidently the fawn had been separated from its next of kin, for it approached the entrance of the camp without apparent fear and exhibited no shyness when the hunters approached, with breakfast for the interloper. During the day repeated efforts failed to drive the little wanderer from the camp and yesterday the fawn was still haunting the neighborhood when the hunters departed.

Juvenile pupils of the Landi school of music gave their third musicale at the studio Sunday evening before a large gathering. Prof. P. L. Landi, director of the school, had charge of the young musicians and their work on the piano and violin reflected the excellent tutelage that has been theirs. Many of the students exhibited unusual aptitude and their performances were the subject of much favorable comment. The program follows: Piano solo, "Fantasia," Miss Hilda Dubay; violin solo, "Angel Serenade," Miss Lucy Chiodi; piano solo, "Polish Mazurka," Miss Alviesia Devecchi; violin solo, "Bohemian Girl," Miss Gertrude Nichols; piano solo, "Valse de Concert," Miss Regina Chini; violin solo, "Simple Aven," Master F. Lesperance; piano solo, "Convent Bells," Miss Hilda Dubay; violin solo, "Last Rose of Summer," Miss Alva Devecchi; piano duet, "Soldiers' Chorus," Miss Alviesia Devecchi and Miss Regina Chini; violin solo, "Flower Song," Master A. Aldrigetti; piano solo, "Con Amore," Miss May Farquhar; violin solo, "Der Freischütz," Master L. Carroll; violin solo, "Humoresque," Miss Ida Jones; violin solo, "Cradle Song," Miss Mary Chiodi; piano solo, "La Brunette Valse," Miss May Risen; violin solo, sextet from "Lucia," Master Charles Collins. In an intermission refreshments were served the guests.

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**Only Three Weeks to Christmas!**

The next three weeks will be very busy ones for all of us. We must not only turn our attention to the things you will want for Christmas but to the things you will need. The things we would call your attention to particularly are those that are not only pleasing at the time but have a value that lasts through the season. Every department is now ready to satisfy your wants.

In the basement you will find the things that will please the little folks, as well as the bigger folks. On the first floor you will find the largest display of seasonable merchandise that we were ever able to display.

In our garment department you'll find the largest display of Waists, Skirts, Silk and Crepe Kimonos, Silk Petticoats in the plain and changeable colors, Ladies' and Gent's Bathrobes and Furs of all kinds, that we were ever able to show. We want you to see our display of these many values of the season.

**The Things Your Friends Would Like**

A nice Silk Waist is a pleasing Christmas gift for a lady. It has a value that lasts throughout the season, and no lady has too many Waists for the winter demands.

We will show you one of the largest and best lines of the season's newest creations, in qualities that are the season's best.

We have some new things in Stripes and Plaids that will appeal to you as the season's best. In Crepe de Chine, Georgette Crepes, Jap Silks, we have an unusually large assortment of the newest and best things, in a large variety of new designs, bought for the Christmas trade.

See our Special India Silk Waist in White and Colors at \$2.50.

In the better Waists we will give you a large assortment of individual designs to select from, in White, Flesh, Maize, Blue and Pink; see these values while the assortment is good.

We have some new things in the heavy White Cotton Waists that are especially good just now.

**Ladies' Silk and Cotton Kimonos**

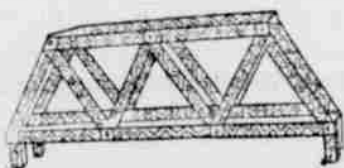
Ladies always appreciate a nice Kimono for a Christmas gift. This season we have an unusually large display of the season's newest and best designs, values that will please all, such as Crepe de Chine, Japanese Silks, Wool Crepes, and Soft Messalines, in a variety of different styles. We have some unusually good designs and patterns in the Fleece and Crepe Kimonos that will surely please you.

**Ladies' and Gents' Bath Robes**

Bath Robes are garments that are always very popular at this season of the year. Our line is now ready for your selection. We can give you a good assortment to select from, and the values are as good as we were ever able to give you. These are made from the Beacon Falls Blankets which are recognized as the best values obtainable.

**Ladies' Suits and Coats**

We can offer you some extra values in Silk Afternoon and Evening Dresses. Here are some values we were able to pick up while in the market last week. Many of them are Sample Dresses that we picked from a large assortment of the season's newest designs. These will appeal to you as different. See our display of these Dress values.



**MECCANO IS MORE THAN A TOY.** It is sold as a children's toy, to give them fun and interest them, and instruct them in the fascinating wonders of engineering; but every day sees fresh use for it. You can buy Outfit No. 1 for \$1.00 and add to this outfit as you wish until you have the whole combination of outfits. Meccano is made from spring steel and is indestructible. Buy your boy a Meccano and see him develop his bump of engineering.

**The Daylight Store****TALK OF THE TOWN**

Special hat values at Abbott's. Thomas Nichols left yesterday for South Ryegate, where he has secured employment as a granitecutter.

George W. Roberts, who has been visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roberts of North Main street, returned last evening to his home in Bangor, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse G. Willey, who were married in this city on the eve of Thanksgiving, went to Marshfield Sunday to take charge of the farm on the Cabot road which Mrs. Willey recently purchased of E. E. Tanner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Denning, who have been passing a week at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Denning, of Park street, left Monday afternoon for St. Albans to rejoin the McAvillie company, which completed a week's stand in Barre Saturday. From St. Albans the company will go to Ogdensburg, N. Y., and thence to Plattsburg, N. Y., before booking in Canada.

**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Christmas toys in Abbott's basement. Oscar Holmberg of South Ryegate arrived in the city this morning and will begin work as a granitecutter for the Scandia Granite Co.

The women's association of the Congregational church will meet in the parlors Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The fancywork committee will have their Christmas cards on sale.

City Clerk James Mackay has drawn a check in favor of C. F. Lowe, Washington county treasurer, for \$970.81, which is the assessment to be paid by Barre for the special tax, the income from which is to be expended in the improvements at the county buildings. James E. Cushman, a Burlington contractor, is the beneficiary of another large check to be drawn by the city treasurer this week. The check is good for \$2,033.04 and covers the cost of labor on the North Main street sewer main, which was excavated last summer when the water committee was searching for a cut-off between Sixth and Berlin streets.

**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Campbell kids at Abbott's. Regular meeting of ladies' auxiliary to Clan Gordon will be held Tuesday evening at 7:15 o'clock.

Wash boilers, clothes wringers and dryers, corn poppers, children's sleds and jumpers, coal sifters, oil heaters. E. A. Prindle, Depot square.

A recent issue of the New York Scottish Clansman has the following item of interest to Barre people: "Robert and Thomas Peters of the Scottish-American Golf club, along with R. Wright, had a very interesting match election day. Robert Peters played the best ball of his brother and Mr. Wright. It was nip and tuck all the way until the last few holes, when the president came away with a wonderful spurt of fine golf and won by the narrow margin of 2 up. There was some match over Van Cortlandt park links last Sunday between the brothers Peters and Andrew Bell and Robert Wright of Barre, Vermont, who is one of the crack players up there, and if his visit will permit he will play one other match before he leaves for his home. Mr. Wright cleaned up all the honors with his clever work on the greens and played a very good match round."

**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Leather heel rubbers at Shea's—the kind you bought last year. Chicken-pie supper, Presbyterian church, Tuesday, Dec. 12, 5 to 7 o'clock—adv.

Lloyd Parker of Windsor, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parker of 113 Hill street, has gone back to work for the National Arms Manufacturing Co.

Coming, Friday night, Dec. 8, in Howland hall, Elizabeth Delbarrie Gill, harpist, reader, contralto singer. Mrs. Gill's career has been one of great success in 18 years of constant traveling, and she and her beautiful \$1,000 harp have the unique distinction of being the only individual entertainer in lyricum with this particular combination of singing, reading and harp playing. A whole concert company in one person.

**Reduction in Waists.**

Owing to our limited space, caused by an addition being built to the store, we are reducing our waist stock, consisting of georgettes, crepe de chine, tub silks and voiles, which will be sold at lowest prices possible. Sale begins Monday, Dec. 14. Mrs. Shepard Co., Inc.

**On Sale To-day**
**1917 Standard Diaries,  
 Memorandums, and  
 Address Books**

 Make your selection now  
 while our stock is complete

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**Christmas, 1916.**
 Your friends can buy any  
 thing you can give them—  
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**The Rockwood Studio**  
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**Cold Cream****Not One of the Best—but THE BEST**

It is easy enough to make a claim and hard enough sometimes to back that claim up. We don't care to say that our cold cream is the best in the world, but we are readily influenced to say that it is the best in this locality, because our friends, our lady customers, say so. On this basis, you can safely try our cold cream.

**Drown's Drug Store****Good Things to Eat!**

Bulk Horse Radish, per pint	20c
Sauer Kraut, per lb.	10c, 3 lbs. for 25c
Dill Pickles, per lb.	13c
Bulk Stuffed Olives, per quart	35c
Large Queen Olives, per quart	40c
Home-Made Peanut Butter, per lb.	20c
Voight's Royal Flour, NOW, per bbl.	\$9.25
Strained Tomatoes for soup, per can	10c, 3 for 25c

**Meats**

Ham Sausage, per lb.	20c
Head Cheese, per lb.	20c
Dried Beef Chipped, per lb.	40c
Hamburg Steak, per lb.	15c
Pressed Ham, per lb., sliced	25c
Smoked Shoulders, per lb.	18c
Vegetable Oysters, per bunch	15c
Hubbard Squash, per lb.	3½c

**CORNED BEEF DAY TO-MORROW**

12½c to 20c per lb.

Cabbage, per lb.	3c
Riddle's Turnips, per lb.	3c

**The Smith & Cummings Co.****GOOD VALUES****An Introductory Offer on Peaches and Pears**

Hunt's Peaches and Pears are California grown, hand peeled, and in a heavy syrup.

The Supreme Brand never sells less than 30c, the Staple Brand never less than 25c. We have made arrangements to allow you to sample these goods this week at cost:

Hunt's Supreme Peaches or Pears, large can	25c
Hunt's Staple Peaches or Pears, large can	20c

We suggest you buy one can of each, and we feel sure you will give us your order for more at that price to be delivered this week.

Howe's Cranberries	3 quarts for 25c
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We have the Cub Bear Meat on sale. This was a young bear, and especially nice and juicy.

Steak, per lb.	40c
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Sunny Side Catsup, large bottle	10c
Pioneer Brand Peas, per can	10c
Glade Brand Sweet Corn, per can	10c
Tomatoes, No. 2 size, Fancy Blue Label	10c

**The F. D. Ladd Company**